

have been modified for the purpose of simplifying administrative guidelines, presenting the regulations in a clear and unambiguous manner (plain English) and making the program more flexible and responsive to the needs of Tribes. The final rule was published in the **Federal Register** (FR 10124-10139) on March 2, 1998. One comment regarding this information collection was received after the close of the prescribed time period published in the **Federal Register**. The OMB requested that the BIA more fully demonstrate compliance with the Privacy Act and that respondents be informed of the legal significance of the displayed OMB control number. The BIA has complied with OMB's request. The BIA is requesting OMB approval of the collection of information on a regular basis, within 30 days.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the collection of information form may be obtained by contacting June Henkel, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, MS-4603-MIB, Washington, DC 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-3667.

DATES: OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, but may respond after 30 days; therefore, your comments should be submitted to OMB within 30 days of publication to assure maximum consideration.

ADDRESSES: Your comments and suggestions on the requirements should be made directly to the attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington DC 20503. Telephone: (202) 395-7340. Please provide a copy to June Henkel, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, MS-4603-MIB, Washington, DC 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-3667.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information is needed to establish an applicant's eligibility to receive services under the Housing Improvement Program and to establish the priority order in which eligible applicants may receive services under the program. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

II. Request for Comments

We specifically request your comments be submitted to OMB at the address provided above with a copy to the Bureau of Indian Affairs within 30 days concerning the following:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the BIA, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the BIA's estimate of the burden to collect the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and,
4. How to minimize the burden of the information collection on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical or other forms of information technology.

III. Data

Title of the Collection of Information: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Housing Assistance Application.

OMB Number: 1076-0084.

Affected Entities: Individual members of Indian tribes who are living on or near a tribally or legally defined service area.

Frequency of Response: At least annually.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 3500.

Estimated Time per Application: 1/2 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,750 hours.

Dated: April 23, 1998.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Extension of Post-Sale Evaluation Period for Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 169

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice to extend post-sale evaluation period for Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 169.

SUMMARY: This notice extends by 30 days, the post-sale evaluation period for Central Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 169. Minerals Management Service (MMS) will complete the evaluation of all bids received in this sale by July 15, 1998.

This action is necessary due to the unusually high number of bids received in response to this lease sale.

DATES: The post-sale evaluation period ends on July 15, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gary L. Lore, Regional Supervisor, Resource Evaluation, Gulf of Mexico Region, telephone (504) 736-2710.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Central Gulf of Mexico Sale 169, held March 18, 1998, MMS received 1,188 bids on 794 tracts, 512 of which passed to a second phase required for detailed evaluations. This continued aggressive bidding activity is, in part, due to the enactment of the Outer Continental Shelf Deep Water Royalty Relief Act (Pub. L. 104-58) but is also influenced by other factors, such as the high number of quality prospects on recently expired unexplored tracts in newly established deepwater hydrocarbon plays and by the unprecedented cost-saving technological advances related to hydrocarbon development and production in the Gulf of Mexico's deepwater environment. Consequently, MMS is unable to conduct and complete a comprehensive evaluation and bid review process within the scheduled 90 days, i.e., by June 15, 1998. Under provisions of § 256.47(e)(2), MMS is extending the bid evaluation period until July 15, 1997.

Dated: May 19, 1998.

Chris C. Oynes,

Regional Director.

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OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meeting

June 9, 1998.

TIME AND DATE: Tuesday, June 9, 1998, 1:00 PM (OPEN Portion), 1:30 PM (CLOSED Portion).

PLACE: Offices of the Corporation, Twelfth Floor Board Room, 1100 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

STATUS: Meeting OPEN to the Public from 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM. Closed portion will commence at 1:30 PM (approx.).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. President's Report.
2. Approval of March 10, 1998 Minutes (Open Portion).
3. Meeting schedule through March, 1999.

FURTHER MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: (Closed to the Public 1:30 PM).

1. Insurance Project in Philippines.